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PAST PRESENTATIONS

On July 26 R. J. Kryter gave the gang an insight into the realm of light amplification. Judging from the interest shown in his talk and demonstration he may have created a few embryo microscopists in the crowd.

Aug. 9th marked the demonstration of the new RCA receiver trouble shooting board by Mr. Long of the Kiefer Stewart radio parts division. Mr. Long on behalf of the Kiefer Stewart Co. presented the club with several Rider publications including the new Cathode Ray book and latest Thordarson Ham Book. These have been added to the Club's library. Thanks to Mr. Long and the Kiefer Stewart Co. for this very worth-while donation.

At the meeting on Aug. 23 and 30 all the gang pitched in and did a swell job of addressing and stuffing the mailings for the Convention. It certainly shows what the gang can do when it gets going.

HAMFESTERS PICNIC REPORT

When the Hamfesters Radio Club of Chicago puts on a picnic it takes on the proportions of an American Legion Convention! We take our hats off to the Hamfesters as a real live wire organization, they did a splendid job on the Aug. 4th picnic.

The Indianapolis gang certainly appreciates the cooperation given by Hamfesters in respect to the coming Central Division Convention. Their publication Ham-Gab has given it plenty of support and at the picnic a large sign greeted visitors leaving the park with "We'll be seeing you in Indianapolis Sept. 28 and 29." Boys that is cooperation! We are looking forward to meeting them at the convention. They plan to charter a train or busses and attend in masse.

ACTIVITIES

W8ODF, Hugh Thompson, W8NDN, Benny Liggett and their wives were guests at the club Thurs. night, Aug. 22. They have been visiting W9JPX, Arnold Dickmeyer. On that evening the Thurs. night gang really put on a show of work, approximately 4,000 envelopes were stuffed and tied ready

for mailing at that one session. The previous week they had addressed approximately the same number of envelopes. Why not come up with your YL or XYL and get into this activity? W9DYN, Jack Mueller is in Chicago where his father is seriously ill. Our hopes for a quick recovery. Sunday Aug. 18 found W9BHC, W9JYP, W9DNQ and their YL and XYL's in Anderson visiting W9ICY, Al Titus. They were welcomed with an impromptu chicken dinner. P.S.-Chicken dinners aren't served every Sunday. Al is planning to be at the Convention and is still trying to get an antenna up so that he can contact the old Indianapolis gang. W9NZA, Kenneth Amick is getting reports of missing persons from the Indiana State Police and putting it on the net. This gives prepared copy and is really clicking with the gang. W9BHC, Paul Nelson has torn up his 160 meter transmitter and is dreaming of the one to replace it. This puts W9DNQ, Bob Caskey on the spot as Paul has been using his amplifier and now he will have to get on the air to keep his promises.

Horse-Play

We note that among those listening to the ARRL Code Qualification broadcasts Friday night were several well known phone men. Well well well. Getting the fellows to report on their own activities is like trying to pull teeth. If you hear of some one doing something of general interest to the gang just jot it down and turn it over to the secretary. By the way W9GVW, Tiny Anderson our secretary is back in town to relieve OM Paul Nelson of his duties of secretary protem. Paul did a fine job. Tiny will probably have plenty to tell the gang at the next meeting. Our past secretary Don Brewer is back in town to put on the State Fair, well he is working out there. He has been in Texas where his folks live and will start to Purdue this Fall. We hope that he will find time to drop in on us from time to time and honor us with his presence.

W9VPN, Fred Manning our chief operator has signed a truce with the editors so no comments. By the way--well we do have a binding truce so no go. W9CYQ, Don Angus, and Bob Annis were victims of over-vacationing. Due to stormy conditions on Lake Michigan they were forced to lay over at Two Rivers Wis. until the weather cleared enough to safely reach home on the other side of the lake. W9DSC and W9QG have been in contact with him all summer. W9MVK, Howard McDonald is in line for the trophy. He has his picture and all on the RCA family news. Is his chest swelling or is that the clothes that he wears?

W9CJQ, Jim Daily whom the club members fixed up with a phone transmitter has been active on the 160 meter band and is now mastering the procedure for that class of service. It is a new technique as some of his eaves drippers can vouch for.

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Norris Knowsall and
his wandering rptr.

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A SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION DEPENDS ON ITS ADVERTISING *****

HERE IS THE DOPE ALL THE HAMS HAVE BEEN BEGGING FOR ~~YOUR CON-~~
VENTION COMMITTEE REQUESTS IT AND IT IS YOUR DUTY ~~TO~~ TO HELP ADVER-
TISE THE CONVENTION BY PUTTING OUT THIS DOPE ON THE AIR IN REG-
ULAR QST TYPE BROADCASTS. DONT BE AFRAID TO PUT IT OUT ON THE
AIR AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY...EVERYBODY IS ASKING FOR IT.... GIVE
IT TO THEM NOW *****

The 1940 ARRL Central Division Convention will be held at the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana. on Sat. & Sun. Sept. 28 & 29 under the sponsorship of the Indianapolis Radio Club, Inc. Plenty of entertainment has been planned for both the OMs and the YLs & XYLs. Registration starts at 9:00 AM Sat. The convention will start officially at 1:00 PM and will conclude with the banquet which will take place early on Sun. evening to permit the far away visitors to get home at a reasonable hour.

Technical programs on Sat. will include lectures and demonstrations on Frequency Modulation, State Police Radio, Cyclotron, Ultra High Frequencies and Unraveling the Infinite, with talks by Director Mathews of the Central Division and ARRL Headquarters speaker. The Dance, with balloons, confetti, paper hats and other fun making devices will be Sat. night.

Activity begins again at 9:00 AM Sun. with individual meetings if the AARS, NCR and ARRL groups. Program on Class C Amplifiers and Code Contest personally conducted by Champion McElroy will be features of the afternoon followed by the banquet at which entertainment will be provided with prizes and trophies awarded. There will of course be miscellaneous attractions such as contests and equipment displays of interest to all.

The YLs and XYLs have not been overlooked at this convention, for a special committee has provided for their entertainment with a shopping tour, style show tea and card party. The ladies will also attend the dance, the banquet and participate in contests.

Registration will be \$3.00 per person at the desk or \$2.50 in advance before Sept. 14th. Tickets may be reserved by mailing \$1.00 to N. B. Trusler, W9FOS Registrar, 442 N. Randolph St., Indianapolis, Indiana. before the above date, or ticket will be mailed if full \$2.50 is remitted.

Early comers are invited to attend the meeting of the Indianapolis Radio Club on Fri. night, Sept. 27th.. After a general get-together the gang will make an inspection tour of local ham shacks. Every body is invited.

A LETTER FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Dear Brother Members:

It is certainly a pleasure to report to all members that the arrangements for the convention are coming along according to schedule. Also in regard to this matter, the members, almost without exception, have shown the kind of spirit that is necessary for an up to date, up and going, live wire organization. Each and every member that has been asked to cooperate in any manner has "Come Through" with flying colors. There have only been one or two who have refused, but we suppose those kind will be found in any group, sorry to say that they are not an asset to the Club. Hope to be able to report a change of heart, on their part, in the next issue.

Two large mailings have been mailed. To a club that is in the habit of mailing a hundred or so, a mailing that goes up into thousands represents some large order. But thanks, not only to the members but also to their XYLS and YLS these big jobs have been handled very FB. Time and energy have been expended, not to speak of the time some of us have taken from our everyday jobs. Individual funds have been spent and miles have been driven, and yet enjoyment and satisfaction has been experienced in the effort. After all a convention of this size is not undertaken every day. One more mailing is yet to be made, then the work is all done but the shouting and boys let's all shout loud and long on the big day. It is our sincere desire that everyone enjoys the fun and hilarity to the limit.

It is quite regrettable that we will not be able to pass out free tickets to all who have been working so hard to make this affair a success. If we did, who would get them? And who would not? So, in order to keep that question straight the only thing to do is for each and every one to put out the cash for his ticket. After all is said and done there is a law of compensation that governs all of us. "What you get out of a thing is directly in proportion to what you put in." This will apply to the convention and by the same token to our Club. We all want to take out the most we can, that is natural, so let's continue to put in the work.

There will be special badges at the convention for all the local hams, so that out of town guests can recognize them and make inquiries as to other local Hams. Also there will be ribbons with the word "Committee" printed on them. All paid up club members are entitled to one of these ribbons, for after all each club member is on the Reception Committee.

Again we want to thank each member and say that the Officers of the Club are very grateful for the interest and cooperation that has been shown.

73,

Don, W9JYP